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STATISTICAL REPORTS.

CHINA—*Hongkong*.—Three months ended December 31, 1898. Estimated population, 261,258. Total deaths, 1,282, including smallpox, 14; plague 4, and enteric fever, 1.

COLOMBIA—*Barranquilla*.—Month of February, 1898. Estimated population, 40,000. Total deaths, 64, including 1 from enteric fever.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 33 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended March 26 correspond to an annual rate of 20.2 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 11,218,378. The highest rate was recorded in Swansea, viz, 31.2, and the lowest in Blackburn, viz, 14.5.

London.—One thousand seven hundred and thirty-one deaths were registered during the week, including measles, 143; scarlet fever, 15; diphtheria, 53; whooping cough, 59; enteric fever, 1; typhus fever, 1, and diarrhea and dysentery, 9. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 21.0 a thousand. In greater London 2,262 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 18.4 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 44 from measles, 3 from scarlet fever, 16 from diphtheria, and 14 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended March 26 in the 23 principal town districts of Ireland was 26.9 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Clonmel, viz, 0.0, and the highest in Galway, viz, 45.3 a thousand. In Dublin and suburbs 198 deaths were registered, including enteric fever, 6; scarlet fever, 2, and whooping cough, 3.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended March 26 correspond to an annual rate of 22.9 a thousand of the population, which is estimated at 1,568,536. The lowest mortality was recorded in Greenock, viz, 15.3, and the highest in Glasgow, viz, 25.1 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 692, including measles, 25; scarlet fever, 7; diphtheria, 3, and whooping cough, 25.

ST. HELENA.—Four weeks ended March 5, 1898. Estimated population, 4,000. Total deaths, 4. No deaths from contagious diseases.